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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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**Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Permit Applications** 

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (Act) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

**DATES:** We must receive any written comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30] DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments by U.S. mail to the Regional Director, Attn:

Karl Tinsley, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 5600 American Blvd.

West, Suite 990, Bloomington, MN 55437–1458; or by electronic mail to

permitsR3ES@fws.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Karl Tinsley, (612) 713–5330.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** 

**Background** 

We invite public comment on the following permit applications for certain

activities with endangered species authorized by section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act (16

U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and our regulations governing the taking of endangered species in

the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17. Submit your written data,

comments, or request for a copy of the complete application to the address shown in

ADDRESSES.

**Permit Applications** 

Permit Application Number: TE82665A

Applicant: Melody L. Myers-Kinzie, Indianapolis, IN.

The applicant requests a permit renewal, with amendment to add winged

mapleleaf (Quadrula fragosa) mussels, to take (capture and release) mussel species for

the purpose of enhancement of survival of the species in the wild. The proposed amendment also includes adding the State of Wisconsin to the scope of the permit.

Permit Application Number: TE38842A

Applicant: Sanders Environmental, Inc., Bellefonte, PA.

The applicant requests a permit renewal, with amendment to add personnel, to take (capture and release) Indiana bats (*Myotis sodalis*) within the States of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival and recovery of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE234121

Applicant: Western Ecosystems Technology, Inc., Cheyenne, WY.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats (Myotis grisescens), Ozark big-eared bats (Corynorhinus townsendii ingens), and Virginia big-eared bats (Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus) within the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. The proposed amendment is for adding personnel to the scope of the permit. Proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE207526

Applicant: Columbia Environmental Research Center, U.S. Geological Survey, Columbia, MO.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture, sample, release; capture and hold) pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*) within the Missouri River and Middle Mississippi River. Proposed research activities are for the conservation and recovery of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98032A

Applicant: James E. Gardner, Jefferson City, MO.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release) Indiana bat, gray bat, and Ozark big-eared bat within the States of Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Tennessee. The proposed amendment includes adding the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) and the State of Indiana to the scope of the permit. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE21829B

Applicant: Larisa J. Bishop-Boros, Rochester, NY.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture, handle, and release)
Indiana bats, gray bats, Virginia big-eared bats, and Ozark big-eared bats within the
States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana,
Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi,

Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. The proposed amendment includes adding the northern long-eared bat and the activity of salvaging dead specimens. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE135297

Applicant: Saint Louis Zoo, St. Louis, MO.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release; capture and hold) American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) within the States of Missouri and Arkansas, and at the Zoo facility in St. Louis, MO. The proposed amendment is for adding personnel to the scope of the permit. Proposed activities are for the propagation and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE71720A

Applicant: Forest Preserve District of Will County, Plainfield, IL.

The applicant requests a permit renewal, with amendment to include the States of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin, to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE212440

Applicant: John D. Chenger, Carlisle, PA.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats within the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35867B

Applicant: Lisa E. Powers, Urbana, IL.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats at Siloam Spring State Park, Clayton, Illinois. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35859B

Applicant: Charles E. Mills, Newburgh, IN.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass) interior least tern (Sternula antillarum anthalassos) within the State of Indiana. Proposed activities involve protection of nests, nesting site enhancement, and studying phenology. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35857B

Applicant: Jason R. Holmes, Tumwater, WA.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats within

the States of Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland,

Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio,

Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and West

Virginia. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the

species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35855B

Applicant: Laura E. D'Acunto, Lafayette, IN.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and

northern long-eared bats within the State of Indiana. Proposed activities are for the

recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE30970B

Applicant: Jeffery C. Miller, Kansas City, MO.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray

bats, northern long-eared bats, Ozark big-eared bats, and Rafinesque big-eared bats

(Corynorhinus rafinesquii) within the States of Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas,

Missouri, Ohio, and Oklahoma. Proposed activities are for the recovery and

enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE33521B

Applicant: Western EcoSystems Technology, Inc, Cheyenne, WY.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) the following listed fish and mussel species throughout their ranges, within the States of Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee, and Wisconsin:

Mussel Species	
Appalachian elktoe	Alasmidonta raveneliana
Appalachian monkeyface	Quadrula sparsa
Birdwing pearlymussel	Lemiox rimosus
Clubshell	Pleurobema clava
Cracking pearlymussel	Hemistena lata
Cumberland bean	Villosa trabalis
Cumberland elktoe	Alasmidonta atropurpurea
Cumberland monkeyface	Quadrula intermedia
Cumberland combshell	Epioblasma brevidens
Dromedary pearlymussel	Dromus dromas
Fanshell	Cyprogenia stegaria
Fat pocketbook	Potamilus capax
Finerayed pigtoe	Fusconaia cuneolus
Fluted kidneyshell	Ptychobranchus subtentum
Higgins' eye	Lampsilis higginsii
pearlymussel	
Littlewing pearlymussel	Pegias fabula
Northern riffleshell	Epioblasma torulosa rangiana
Orange-footed	DI II I
pimpleback	Plethobasus cooperianus
Oyster musselshell	Epioblasma capsaeformis
Pale lilliput	Toxolasma cylindrellus
Pink mucket	Lampsilis abrupta
pearlymussel	
Purple bean	Villosa perpurpurea
Purple cat's paw	Epioblasma obliquata obliquata
pearlymussel	
Rabbitsfoot	Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica
Rayed bean	Villosa fabalis
Rink pink	Obovaria retusa
Rough pigtoe	Pleurobema plenum
Rough rabbitsfoot	Quadrula cylindrica strigillata

Scaleshell mussel	Leptodea leptodon
Sheepnose	Plethobasus cyphyus
Shiny pigtoe	Fusconaia cor
Snuffbox	Epioblasma triquetra
Tan riffleshell	Epioblasma florentina walkeri
Tubercled blossom	Epioblasma torulosa torulosa
Turgid blossom	Epioblasma turgidula
White cat's paw	Epioblasma obliquata perobliqua
pearlymussel	
White wartyback	Plethobasus cicatricosus
Winged mapleleaf	Quadrula fragosa
Yellow blossom	Epioblasma florentina florentina
Fish Species	
Spotfin chub	Erimonax monachus
Slender chub	Erimystax cahni
Relict darter	Etheostoma chienense
Tuxedo darter	Etheostoma lemniscatum
Marbled darter	Etheostoma marmorpinnum
Duskytail darter	Etheostoma percnurum
Citico darter	Etheostoma sitikuense
Snail darter	Percina tanasi
Diamond darter	Crystallaria cincotta
Cumberland darter	Etheostoma susanae
Palezone shiner	Notropis albizonatus
Blackside dace	Phoxinus cumberlandensis

Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35517B

Applicant: Bryan D. Arnold, Jacksonville, IL.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats, and northern long-eared bats within the State of Illinois. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35872B

Applicant: John F. Tetzloff, Upper Arlington, OH.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) the following mussel species within the State of Ohio:

Mussel Species	
Clubshell	Pleurobema clava
Northern riffleshell	Epioblasma rangiana
Fanshell	Cyprogenia stegaria
Rayed bean	Villosa fabalis
Pink Mucket	Lampsilis orbiculata
Purple cat's paw	Epioblasma obliquata obliquata
Sheepnose	Plethobasus cyphyus
Snuffbox	Epioblasma triquetra
White cat's paw	Epioblasma obliquata
	perobliqua

Proposed activities include population surveys. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35518B

Applicant: Jeremy J. Sheets, Plymouth, IN.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats, northern long-eared bats, and Virginia big-eared bats within the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE03494B

Applicant: GAI Consultants, Inc., Erlanger, KY.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release) Indiana

bats, gray bats, Virginia big-eared bats, and Ozark big-eared bats throughout the States of

Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia. Illinois, Indiana, Iowa,

Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New

Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania,

Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and

Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the

species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE35520B

Applicant: Leah E. Sefton, Mt. Pleasant, MI.

The applicant requests a permit to take (including tissue removal) for Pitcher's

thistle (Cirsium pitcheri) within the State of Michigan. Proposed activities include the

removal of plant material for genetic analysis, and are for the recovery and enhancement

of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98295A

Applicant: Dallas Scott Settle, DBA Alliance Consulting, Fayetteville, WV.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats, and Virginia big eared bats within the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE02560A

Applicant: Timothy C. Carter, Muncie, IN.

The applicant requests a permit renewal, with amendment, to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats, and northern long-eared bats within the States of Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

## **Public Comments**

We seek public review and comments on these permit applications. Please refer to the permit number when you submit comments. Comments and materials we receive are available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your

comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

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